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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Examiner's restriction requirement mailed December 12, 2003, applicants elect to prosecute the claims in Group I, namely claims 15-37. Please cancel without prejudice claims 38-50 of Group II as directed to non-elected subject matter as set forth in the following amendment.